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Joseph M. "Bill" Nye	1917 – 1920
Robert C. Bannerman	1920 – 1940
Thomas F. Fitch	1940 – 1947

## Security Office

Robert L. Bannerman	1945 – 1947
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## Division of Security

Donald L. Nicholson	1948 – 1952
John W. Ford	1952

## Office of Security (SY)

John W. Ford	1952 – 1953
Dennis A. Flinn	1953 – 1956
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John F. Reilly	1962 – 1963
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### *Assistant Secretary of State*

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Gregory B. Starr (Acting)	2007 – 2008
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### *Director, Diplomatic Security Service Deputy Assistant Secretary of State*

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